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WHEN A MAN BEGINS TO PLAY WITH
DOLLS, MOST PEOPLE WOULD CONSIDER
HIM *INSANE*. INSANITY COMES IN
MANY FORMS JUST AS DOLLS COME
IN MANY FORMS. **READ**

VOODOO DOLLS!

also

**GHOUL TEACHER'S TALE
OF CREMATION!**

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CASE NO. 1. Healthy, intelligent boy, 9 years old, BED-WETTING since infancy. Child could not break habit. All other medication failed. DRY-TABS formula taken for two three-week periods. Child has remained well for the past three years.

CASE NO. 2. Normal boy, history of BED-WETTING since infancy. Child had no organic defect. Various cures failed. Put on DRY-TABS formula regime. After a month, habit suddenly stopped.

CASE NO. 3. Male, aged 23 years. BED-WETTING since birth. Many forms of treatment failed. Unable to accept invitation to sleep out over-night. Recently married, and embarrassed by habit. After formula taken, wet bed the first two nights but never since that time.

CASE NO. 4. Girl, aged 6 years. Wet bed since infancy. Nervous, irritable. DRY-TABS formula administered for regular period. BED-WETTING stopped almost immediately. Slight relapse. Formula administered again. Child responded immediately once more, and history reveals no further relapse.

CASE NO. 5. Man, 42 years old, wet "heavily." Medication started. Wet during second week and continued to wet when medication was withdrawn for following week. Restarted after rest period, and after five-day treatment seemed to retain control of bladder function.

CASE NO. 6. Woman, 16 years old. DRY-TABS formula administered for 6 days. Improvement, upon withdrawal of medication, improvement remained. Continued gradual return of control. One year without formula and control is adequate.

Without Electrical Devices...
Rubber Sheets... Alarms...

Ends Shame, Discomfort, Inconvenience
Almost Miraculously!

WHY endure the needless shame, embarrassment, humiliation... the discomfort and distress of this unfortunate habit? Why put up with the daily nuisance of changing and washing bed linen and clothes? Why suffer the mortification of foul smelling bedrooms... the expense of ruined furniture... the danger of catching cold and infectious rashes?

Doctors agree that BED-WETTING can cause nervousness, stuttering and emotional disturbances in children, very often seriously affecting their future and character, making them "psychological cripples."

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DEVELOPED AFTER YEARS OF EXTENSIVE HOSPITAL AND CLINICAL RESEARCH AS REVEALED IN MEDICAL LITERATURE

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VOODOO DOLLS

WHEN A MAN BEGINS TO PLAY WITH DOLLS, MOST PEOPLE WOULD CONSIDER HIM INSANE. BUT INSANITY COMES IN MANY FORMS JUST AS DOLLS COME IN MANY FORMS... THERE ARE RAG DOLLS, PAPER DOLLS, WALKING DOLLS, TALKING DOLLS... BUT KENDALL WINTHROP'S PLAYTHINGS WERE "VOODOO DOLLS!"



HELEN WINTHROP WAS CONVINCED THAT HER HUSBAND WAS SLOWLY BUT SURELY GOING MAD. WHEN HE HAD FIRST BEGUN HIS STUDY OF THE OCCULT AND SUPERNATURAL SHE HAD REGARDED IT AS A WHIM, A PASSING FANCY. BUT NOW SHE REALIZED HE WAS DEADLY SERIOUS..... OBSESSED....

KENDALL, CAN'T YOU STOP WHAT YOU'RE DOING LONG ENOUGH TO HAVE DINNER? FATHER AND I HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU...

LEAVE ME ALONE! DON'T YOU SEE I'M ON THE VERGE OF MY MOST IMPORTANT DISCOVERY!!

HELEN, YOU MUST PULL YOURSELF TOGETHER. THIS OBSESSION OF KENDALL'S WILL PASS. HE'S TOO INTELLIGENT TO LET SUCH NONSENSE OCCUPY HIM FOR TOO LONG...

YOU'RE WRONG, FATHER... YOU CAN SEE WHAT IT'S DONE TO HIM. HE'S LIKE A CRAZY MAN!!

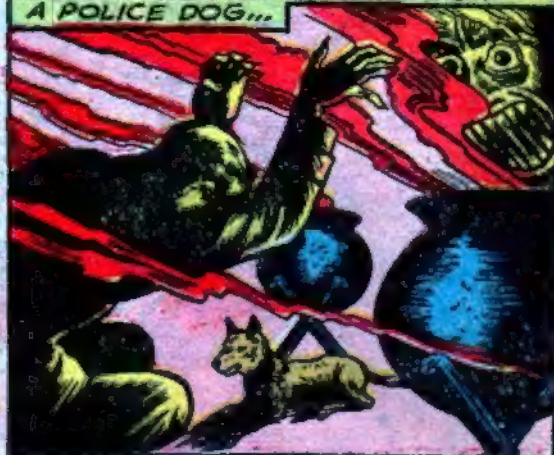


YES, KENDALL WAS LIKE A CRAZY MAN... AND IF ANYONE COULD HAVE SEEN HIM AT THAT MOMENT THERE WOULD HAVE BEEN NO DOUBT OF IT...

I'VE MASTERED IT... I'M SURE I HAVE! NOW TO PUT IT TO THE TEST!



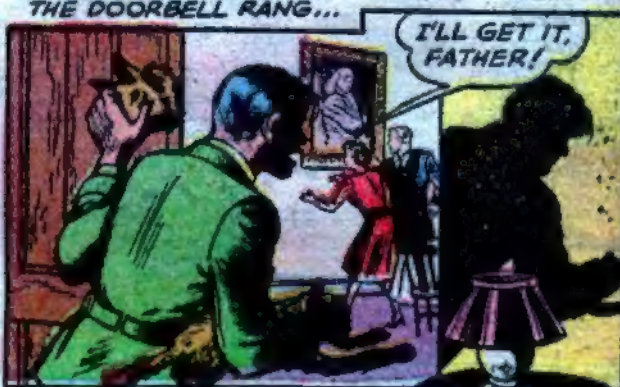
KENDALL THEN PERFORMED A WIERD RITUAL, WAVING HIS ARMS AND CHANTING IN AN ANCIENT, LONG-FORGOTTEN LANGUAGE. THE OBJECT OF THIS CEREMONY WAS A TINY DOLL... THE FIGURE OF A DOG... A POLICE DOG...



KENDALL'S ACTIONS BECAME MORE AND MORE FEVERISH AS THE CLIMAX OF THE RITUAL DREW NEAR. AT LAST, IN A SURGE OF TREMENDOUS EXHULTATION HE HELD THE DOLL IN BOTH HANDS AND TWISTED, SNAPPING THE HEAD FROM THE BODY!



THE CEREMONY AT AN END, HE RETURNED THE STUDY TO IT'S FORMER APPEARANCE AND PREPARED TO JOIN HIS WIFE AND FATHER-IN-LAW FOR DINNER. HE WAS ABOUT TO DISPOSE OF THE BROKEN STATUE WHEN THE DOORBELL RANG...



I'LL GET IT, FATHER!

THERE WAS A MAN AT THE DOOR... IN HIS ARMS HE CARRIED A DEAD DOG. KENDALL'S DOG... IT'S HEAD HUNG AT A CRAZY ANGLE...

I'M SORRY, MA'M... I COULDN'T AVOID HIM. HE RAN RIGHT OUT IN FRONT OF MY CAR! HIS... HIS NECK WAS BROKEN!



KENDALL ENTERED THE ROOM AND STARED IN UTTER FASCINATION AT THE BODY OF THE DEAD DOG. HIS FACE WAS A MIXTURE OF AWE AND ELATION FOR HE ALONE KNEW THE STRANGE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE ACCIDENT...

SUDDENLY THERE WAS A SHRIEK FROM HIS WIFE...

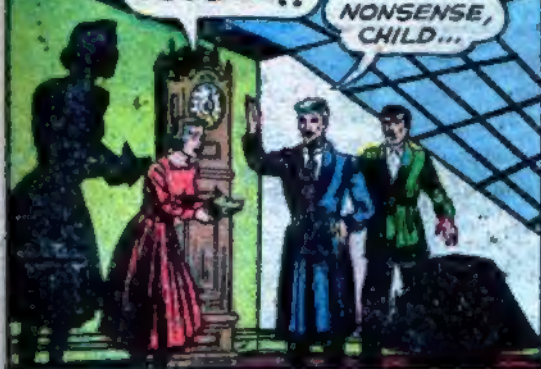


KENDALL! WHAT'S THAT IN YOUR HAND?!

SHE SKATCHED THE BROKEN DOLL FROM HIM...

HE DID IT.... IT WAS BLACK MAGIC...VOODOO...HE KILLED HIS OWN DOG WITH VODOO!!

NONSENSE, CHILD...



...KENDALL'S DOLL HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THE DOG'S DEATH. THE WHOLE THING WAS AN ACCIDENT, PLAIN AND SIMPLE! VODOO INDEED... HUMBUG!



KENDALL KNEW IT WOULD BE POINTLESS TO DISAGREE WITH HELEN'S FATHER.... THERE WAS ANOTHER WAY TO PROVE THAT HE HAD CAUSED THE DOG'S DEATH. A MUCH BETTER WAY...

AH-THIS IS ABOUT THE RIGHT SIZE. NOW YOU OLD FOOL, WE WILL SEE IF VODOO IS 'HUMBUG'!



FOR SEVERAL DAYS HE WORKED FEVERISHLY ON THE TINY STATUE, CAREFULLY CHISELING THE MINUTEST DETAILS IN THE RARE WOOD. AND WHEN HE HAD FINISHED, HE STARED AT IT WITH COMPLETE SATISFACTION.....

PERFECT TO THE LAST DETAIL...AN EXACT MINATURE OF MY ESTEEMED FATHER-IN-LAW!



AND ONCE AGAIN THE STRANGE RITUAL TOOK PLACE....



KENDALL BECAME SO ABSORBED IN HIS BLACK MAGIC THAT HE DID NOT SEE THE DOOR OPEN. HELEN STOOD IN THE DOORWAY AND STARED INCREDULOUSLY AS HER HUSBAND WENT THROUGH HIS WIERD INCANTATIONS....

A VODOO CURSE...HE'S CASTING A VODOO CURSE!!



PETRIFIED, SHE WATCHED AS KENDALL RAISED THE SPIKE AND DROVE IT INTO THE HEART OF THE WOODEN FIGURE.... IT WAS ONLY THEN THAT SHE REALIZED WHOM THE DOLL REPRESENTED!

WITH A SCREAM SHE RAN...RAN FROM THAT SCENE OF HORROR...RACED TO HER FATHER'S ROOM... HOPING AGAINST HOPE THAT HER PREMONITION WOULD BE WRONG...



HE WAS LYING ON THE FLOOR, WRITHING IN AGONY, HIS HANDS TEARING AT HIS CHEST, HIS FACE DISTORTED.....



TWO WEEKS WENT BY AND HELEN WAS STILL IN A STATE OF MENTAL SHOCK. SHE KNEW HER HUSBAND HAD SOME-HOW BROUGHT ABOUT THE DEATH OF HER FATHER BUT HER MIND REFUSED TO GRASP THE TRUTH...

....UNTIL ONE DAY...

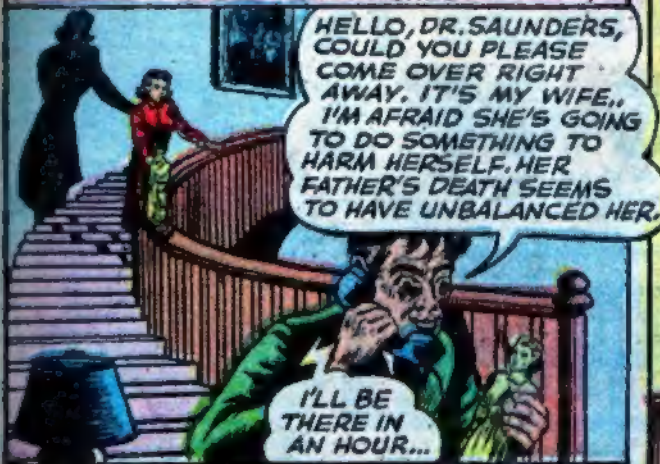
HE'S MAKING ANOTHER DOLL..BUT WHO? WHO?



WHO INDEED....WHO ELSE IS THERE??



HELEN WATCHED AND WAITED... TWO DAYS LATER THE DOLL WAS FINISHED.



AND WHEN THE DOCTOR ARRIVES, MY DEAR, IT WILL BE TOO LATE!



THE CEREMONY BEGAN. THE EERIE CHANT ROSE AND FELL, FILLING THE ROOM WITH IT'S DISSONANT TONES... THE INCENSE PERMEATING THE AIR WITH IT'S THICK, SWEET SMELLING ACRIDNESS...

THE DOCTOR ARRIVED AN HOUR LATER. KENDALL WAS RIGHT... IT WAS TOO LATE...



... TOO LATE FOR KENDALL!!



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HUMAN EMOTION CAUSES A REACTION--THE REACTION CREATES A NEW EMOTION--THAT EMOTION BRINGS ABOUT A NEW REACTION--BUT MORE SPECIFICALLY, EADIE BENTON FELL IN LOVE! THAT LOVE LED TO MARRIAGE--AND THAT MARRIAGE CAUSED AN EMOTIONAL REACTION--BUT YOU SHALL SEE FOR YOURSELF THE EMOTIONS AND REACTIONS OF A WOMAN WHO COULDN'T OR WOULDN'T ---

LIVE WITH A MAN

DO YOU, EDITH BENTON
TAKE THESE MEN FOR
YOUR HUSBANDS?



EADIE'S FIRST MARRIAGE WAS A TRUE AFFAIR OF THE HEART-- LOVE, WARM AND TENDER, PERVADED HER BEING AS SHE AND AL ARVIN STARTED ON THEIR JOURNEY THROUGH LIFE TOGETHER!



BUT AL'S JOURNEY WAS CUT SHORT, CUT SHORT BY A KNIFE HELD IN EADIE'S LOVELY HAND! IT WAS THE CULMINATION OF ONE OF THOSE ENDLESS MARITAL ARGUMENTS, THE CAUSE OF WHICH IS OFTEN OBLITERATED BY THE FURY OF ONE'S EMOTIONS!



EADIE MADE THE DEATH LOOK LIKE SUICIDE, FOR ALTHOUGH SHE FELT REMORSE FOR HER ACTION, SHE NEVERTHELESS DID NOT WANT TO PAY THE PENALTY FOR HER ACTION!



ALONG WITH HER HUSBAND'S WORLDLY GOODS EADIE INHERITED THE LAWYER WHO HANDLED THE CASE! BEN BREEN FELL IN LOVE WITH EADIE AT FIRST SIGHT AND SHE, SORROWING AND REMORSEFUL, RECOCHETED INTO A SECOND MARRIAGE!

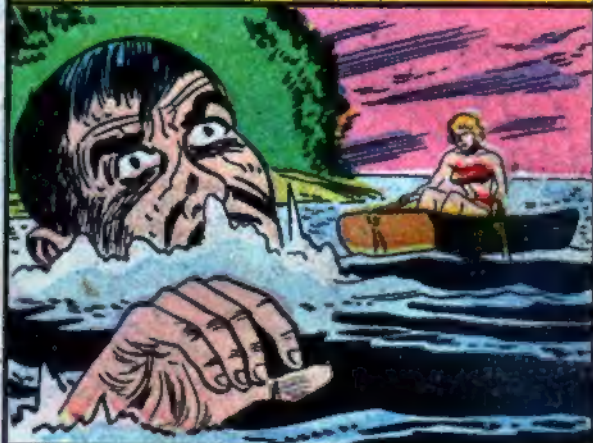


BUT BEN WAS NOT LIKE AL AND EADIE FELT THAT THE MARRIAGE WAS A MISTAKE - THERE WERE MANY EMOTIONAL FLAREUPS - EADIE DIDN'T WANT BEN -- BUT BEN WANTED EADIE AND WOULD NOT GIVE HER A DIVORCE --

HAVE YOU EVER HEARD OF TEACHING SOMEONE TO SWIM BY TOPPING HIM INTO THE WATER OVER HIS HEAD AND MAKING HIM TRY TO GRAB THE BOAT NEARBY? EADIE USED THIS METHOD WITH BEN -- BUT HE DIDN'T LEARN!

I'LL BE BACK WHEN YOU'VE HAD TIME TO CALM DOWN!

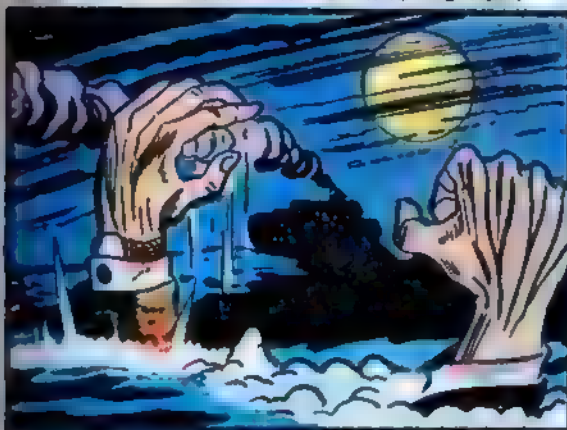
DON'T BOTHER!



ONCE AGAIN EADIE ACQUIRED A HUSBAND'S WORLDLY GOODS AND SOMETHING ELSE! THIS TIME IT WAS A PLAN...A PLAN TO MARRY AND KILL FOR MATERIAL GAIN! WHICH SHE CARRIED OUT!



JUST AS SHE HAD MARRIED AND KILLED BEFORE ONCE
 AGAIN EADIE MARRIED - REPEATING THE PATTERN
 SHE HAD SET FOR HERSELF! THE NEWLYWEDS PLANNED
 TO HONEYMOON IN EUROPE, BUT UNFORTUNATELY
 HUSBAND NUMBER SIX DID NOT SURVIVE THE TRIP!



HOWEVER THE AUTHORITIES WERE SKEPTICAL THAT
 THIS DEATH WAS AN ACCIDENT, AND EADIE FOUND
 HERSELF IN AN ENGLISH PRISON AWAITING TRIAL
 FOR MURDER!

THEY'LL HANG ME FOR SURE!
 I'M TOO YOUNG TO DIE!
 WHAT CAN I DO?

WHY DON'T YOU
 CALL ON SATAN
 FOR HELP?



CALL ON SATAN -- YOU'RE
 NUTS -- YOU MUST'VE
 BEEN WATCHING TOO
 MANY OLD MOVIES
 ON TV!

I MEAN IT -- YOU
 COULD USE YOUR
 SOUL TO BARGAIN
 FOR YOUR
 FREEDOM!



WHY DON'T YOU CALL ON
 HIM -- OR DO YOU LIKE
 IT HERE?

I'VE ALREADY SOLD MY
 SOUL TO THE DEVIL --
 BUT YOU --



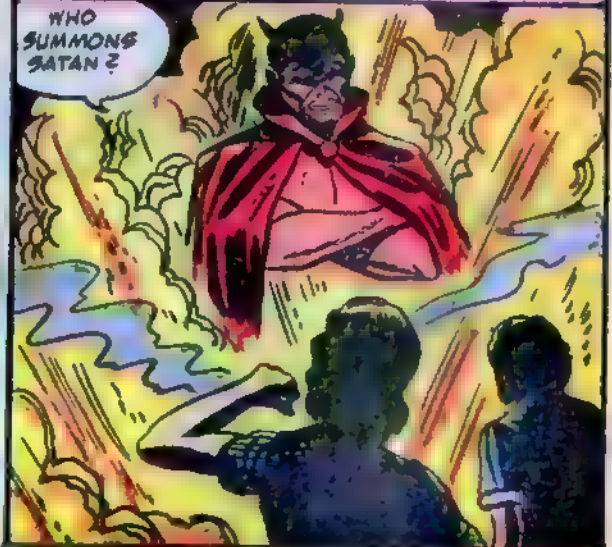
DESPITE HER FEAR EADIE CHUCKLES INWARDLY AS
 SHE REPEATS THE WEIRD SOUNDS, BUT A FLASH OF
 SMOKE AND FIRE BRINGS ANOTHER KIND OF FEAR
 AS THE FEARSOME SOVEREIGN OF HADES
 APPEARS AND ASKS -

HAH -- WHAT HAVE
 I GOT TO LOSE --
 OK -- HOW DO I
 CALL SATAN?

JUST SAY THESE
 WORDS AFTER ME --



WHO
 SUMMONS
 SATAN?



I-I SUMMONED YOU! I WISH TO BARGAIN MY SOUL FOR MY FREEDOM!

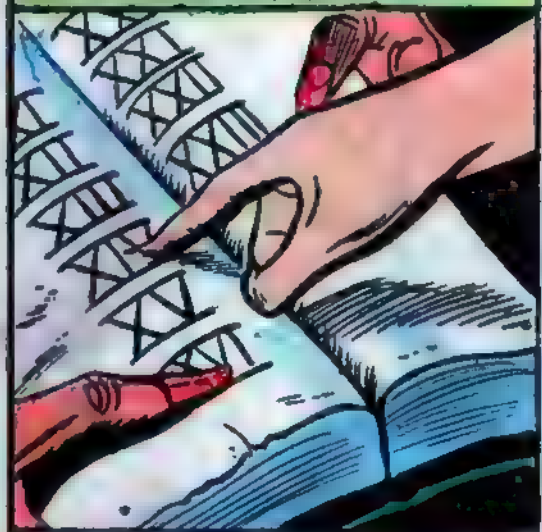
I WILL RECEIVE YOUR SOUL ANYWAY, BUT I HAVE BEEN SO BUSY LATELY I HAVEN'T HAD TIME TO PLAN A SUITABLE HELL FOR YOU SO I WILL GRANT YOUR REQUEST ON ONE CONDITION --



THAT CONDITION IS THAT YOU MARRY AND LIVE WITH ONE MAN -- A MAN WITH THE REINCARNATED SOUL OF ONE OF MY DISCIPLES! THIS MAN YOU WILL CHOOSE FROM MY BOOK OF NUMBERS AND YOU WILL NOT KNOW WHOM YOU HAVE CHOSEN! IF YOU LEAVE THIS MAN, THE BARGAIN WILL BE BROKEN AND YOU WILL IMMEDIATELY FORFEIT YOUR SOUL!



THE BARGAIN IS SEALED AND EADIE CHOOSES A NUMBER FROM THE BOOK --



SATAN LOOKS UP THE NUMBER THAT EADIE HAS CHOSEN AND WHEN HE SEES WHO IT IS THE REGENT OF THE UNDERWORLD BURSTS INTO FIENDISH, MYSTERICAL LAUGHTER!

WHAT'S SO FUNNY?

HO! HO! HO! JUST BEFORE I CLAIM YOUR SOUL I WILL LET YOU KNOW WHAT THE JOKE IS! NO, NO, NO!



SATAN KEPT HIS PART OF THE BARGAIN -- EADIE WAS FREE -- SHE REMARRIED KNOWING THAT SATAN WOULD SEE TO IT THAT HER HUSBAND WOULD HAVE THE REINCARNATED SOUL OF THE MAN SHE HAD CHOSEN! BUT SHE DIDN'T CARE -- SHE WOULD SETTLE DOWN TO A LONG AND PEACEFUL MARRIED LIFE!



BUT ON HER WEDDING NIGHT--

THE MAN YOU CHOSE IS -- JACK THE RIPPER!



Now! The Amazing Facts about

BALDNESS

...AND WHAT YOU CAN DO ABOUT IT



The following facts are brought to the attention of the public because of a widespread belief that nothing can be done about hair loss. This belief has no basis in medical fact. Worse, it has condemned many men and women to needless baldness by their neglect to treat certain accepted causes of hair loss.

There are six principal types of hair loss, or alopecia, as it is known in medical circles.

1. Alopecia from diseases of the scalp
2. Alopecia from other diseases or from an improper functioning of the body
3. Alopecia of the aged (senile baldness)
4. Alopecia areata (loss of hair in patches)
5. Alopecia of the young (premature baldness)
6. Alopecia at birth (congenital baldness)

Senile, premature and congenital alopecia cannot be helped by anything now known to modern science. Alopecia from improper functioning of the body requires the advice and treatment of your family physician.

BUT MANY MEDICAL AUTHORITIES NOW BELIEVE A SPECIFIC SCALP DISEASE IS THE MOST COMMON CAUSE OF HAIR LOSS.

This disease is called Seborrhea and can be broadly classified into two clinical forms with the following symptoms.

1. DRY SEBORRHEA: The hair is dry, lifeless, and without gloss. A dry flaky dandruff is usually present with accompanying itching. Hair loss is considerable and increases with the progress of the disease.

2. OILY SEBORRHEA: The hair and scalp are oily and greasy. The hair is slightly sticky to the touch and has a tendency to mat together. Dandruff takes the form of broad scales. Scalp is usually itchy. Hair loss is caused by baldness as the end result.

Many doctors agree that to **NEGLECT** these symptoms of **DRY and OILY SEBORRHEA** is to **INVITE BALDNESS.**

Seborrhea is believed to be caused by three germ organisms—staphylococcus albus, pityrosporum ovale, and acnes bacillus.

These germs attack the sebaceous gland causing an abnormal working of this fat gland. The hair follicle, completely surrounded by the enlarged diseased sebaceous gland, then begins to atrophy. The hair produced becomes smaller and smaller until the hair follicle dies. Baldness is the inevitable result. (See illustration.)

But seborrhea can be controlled, particularly in its early stages. The three germ organisms believed to cause seborrhea, can and should be eliminated before they destroy your normal hair growth.

A post-war development, Comate Medicinal Formula kills these three germ organisms on contact. Proof of Comate's germ-killing properties has been demonstrated in laboratory tests recently conducted by one of the leading testing laboratories in America. (Complete report on file and copies are available on request.)

When used as directed, Comate Medicinal Formula controls seborrhea—stimulates the flow of blood to the scalp—helps stop scalp itch and burn—improves the appearance of your hair and scalp—helps **STOP HAIR LOSS** due to seborrhea. Your hair looks more attractive and alive.

You may safely follow the example of thousands who first were skeptical, then convert, and finally decided to avail themselves of Comate Medicinal Formula.



DESTRUCTION OF HAIR FOLLICLES Caused By Seborrhea

A — Good hairs; B — Hair-destroying bacteria; C — Hypertrophied sebaceous glands; D — Atrophic follicles.

A Few of the Many Grateful Expressions By Users of Comate Medicinal Formula

"My hair was coming out for years and I tried everything. Nothing stopped it until I tried Comate. Now my hair has stopped coming out. It looks so much thicker. My friends have noticed my hair and they all say it looks so much better."
—Mrs. R.E.J., Stevenson, Ala.

"Your hair formula got rid of my dandruff, my head does not itch any more. I think it is the best of all of the formulas I have used."
—E.E., Hamilton, Ohio.

"Your formula is everything you claim it to be and the first 16 days trial found me of a very bad case of dry seborrhea."
—J.E.M., Long Beach, Calif.

"I do want to say that just within five days I have observed a great improvement in my hair. I do want to thank you and the Comate Laboratories for producing such a wonderful and amazing formula."
—M.M., Johnston, Pa.

"I have found almost instant relief. My itching has stopped with one application."
—J.N., Stockton, Calif.

"My hair looks thicker, not falling out like it used to. Will not be without Comate in the house."
—R.W., Louisville, Ky.

"I haven't had any trouble with dandruff since I started using Comate."
—L.W.W., Galveston, Tex.

"This formula is everything I not more than you say it to. I am very happy with what it's doing for my hair."
—T.J., Los Angeles, New Mexico.

"I find it stops the itch and retards the hair fall. I am thankful for the help it has given me with regard to the horrible itching."
—E.B.L., Philadelphia, Pa.

"The bottle of Comate I got from you has done my hair so much good. My hair has been coming out and breaking off for about 21 years. It has improved so much."
—Mrs. J.E., Lufkin, Ga.

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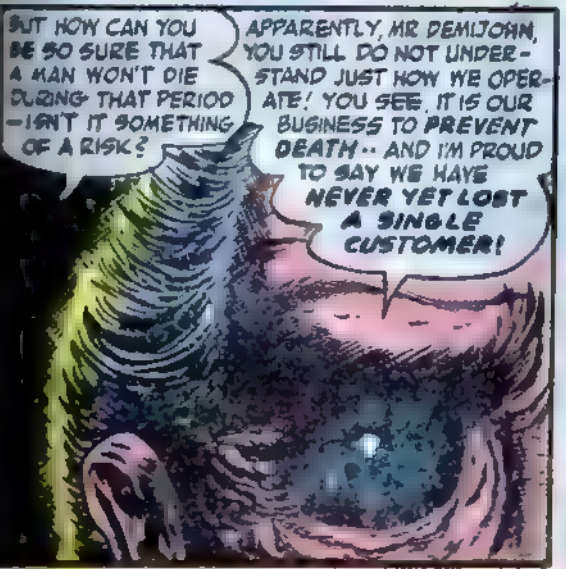
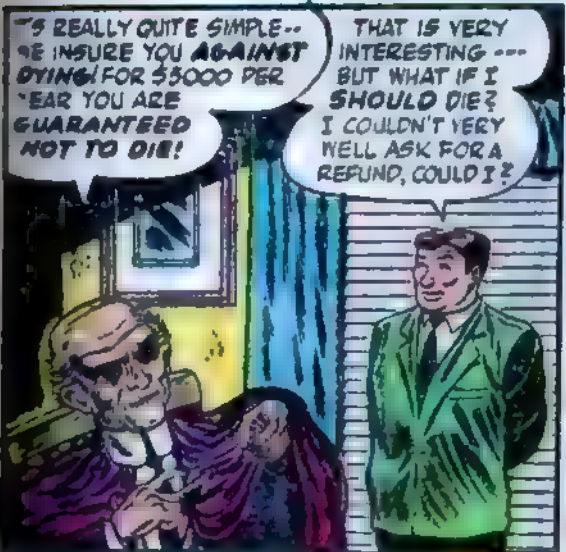
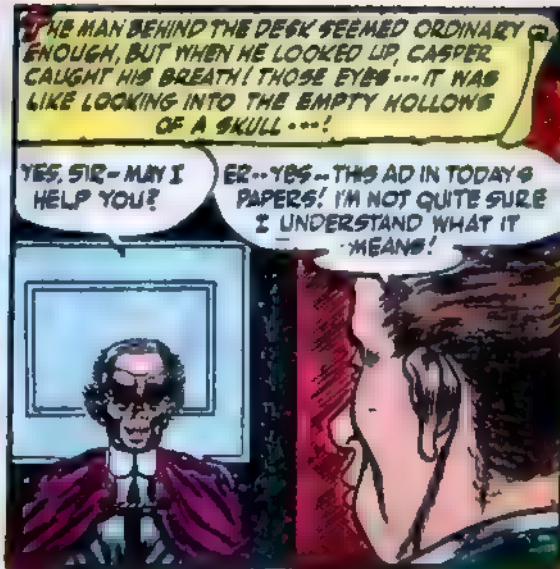
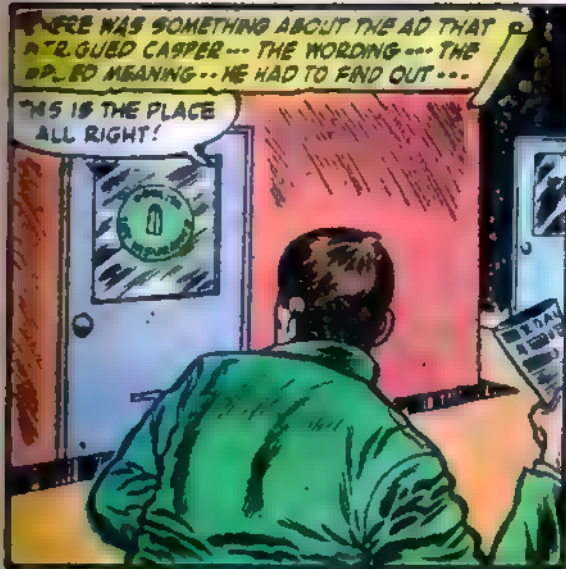
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IT SEEMED INCREDIBLE... A LIFE INSURANCE POLICY THAT PROTECTED THE INSURED INSTEAD OF JUST THE BENEFICIARY! BUT UNBELIEVABLE AS IT APPEARED, CASPER DEMITOWN BOUGHT A TWO YEAR POLICY...

I MUST BE A FOOL... THE WHOLE THING IS PROBABLY A HOAX AND I'VE JUST BEEN TAKEN FOR \$10,000!



THE BANDITS HAD JUST GONE INTO THE VAULT WHEN CASPER NOTICED THAT THE BANK HAD BECOME UNUSUALLY QUIET! HE WENT TO HIS DOOR...

ROBBERS!... THEY MUST BE IN THE VAULT... GOT TO ACT FAST!



WHEN THE POLICE ARRIVED, CASPER WAS BLEEDING PROFUSELY FROM A CHEST WOUND, BUT HE WAS STILL ALIVE!

SO THIS IS THE HERO THAT LOCKED THEM IN THE VAULT, EH? BETTER GET HIM TO THE HOSPITAL, RIGHT AWAY, BOYS!



BUT THE VERY NEXT DAY, CASPER GOT HIS FIRST INKLING THAT THE OBELISK INSURANCE CO. INTENDED TO LIVE UP TO ITS CONTR-

OKAY... DON'T NOBODY MOVE! THIS IS A STICKUP!



HE LUNGED FOR THE HEAVY STEEL DOOR AND STARTED TO SWING IT SHUT... THERE WAS A SURPRISED SHOUT... TWO SHOTS RANG OUT... BUT CASPER CONTINUED PUSHING IT UNTIL THE VAULT WAS CLOSED, SEALING THE GANGSTERS INSIDE...

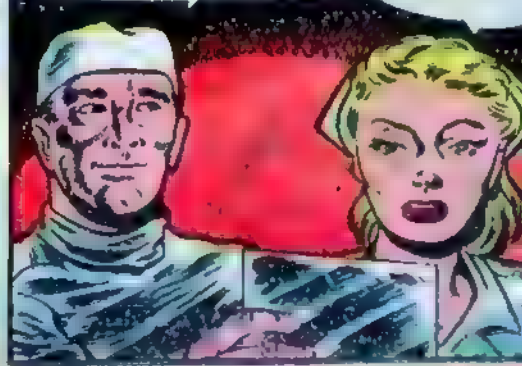
HEY... STOP THAT GUY... HE'S SHUTTING THE DOOR!



AND THEN, AT THE HOSPITAL...

IT'S THE MOST BAFFLING THING I EVER SAW! THE COURSE OF THE BULLET INDICATES THAT IT MUST HAVE PASSED THROUGH THE HEART... AND YET THE HEART DOESN'T SEEM TO HAVE BEEN TOUCHED AT ALL!

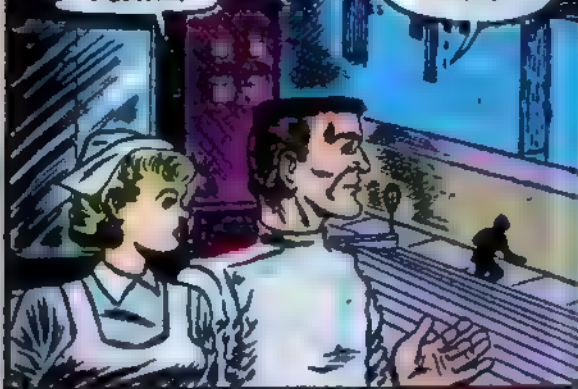
EXTRA-ORDINARY!



ON THE DAY CASPER WAS RELEASED FROM THE HOSPITAL, THE PERSONNEL WATCHED HIM IN AWE...

THERE HE GOES! HE SURE DOESN'T LOOK LIKE A MAN WHO JUST BARELY ESCAPED DEATH!

YEAH... TALK ABOUT FREAKS OF NATURE!



AND SO CASPER DEMIJOHNN BEGAN TO REALLY LIVE! HE INDULGED IN ACTIVITIES WHICH HE WOULD ORDINARILY HAVE SHUNNED BECAUSE OF THE DANGER INVOLVED... BUT NOW... HE HAD NOTHING TO FEAR... HE HAD LIFE INSURANCE!

CASPER! BE CAREFUL... YOU'RE ONLY A BEGINNER... YOU'LL KILL YOURSELF!

KILL MYSELF? HA! HA! I COULDN'T IF I TRIED!



BUT TO CASPER IT WAS MORE THAN A MERE FREAK OF NATURE! ---

THIS IS MARVELOUS! WHAT A GLORIOUS FEELING! IT IS TO KNOW WITH ABSOLUTE CERTAINTY THAT YOU CANNOT DIE... THAT THERE IS NOTHING ON EARTH THAT CAN KILL YOU! IT'S FANTASTIC!



CASPER WAS SO ELATED OVER THE SENSE OF FREEDOM FROM ANXIETY THAT HIS INSURANCE GAVE HIM, THAT HE HAD HIS POLICY EXTENDED TO TEN YEARS...

EXACTLY \$40,000... I THANK YOU MR. DEMIJOHNN... AND GOOD LUCK TO YOU!

GOOD LUCK? HA HA! THAT'S VERY GOOD... I'VE JUST BOUGHT \$76,000 WORTH!

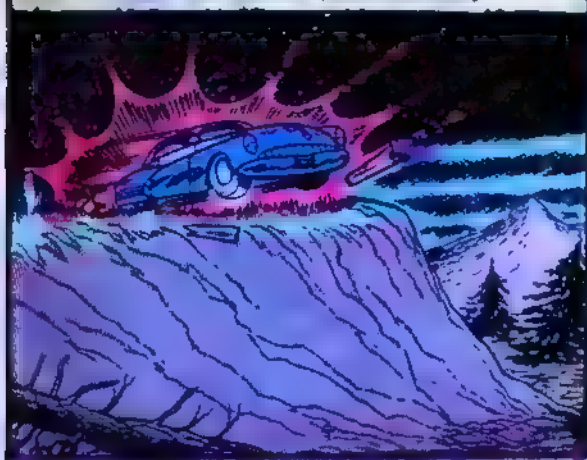


A WEEK LATER HE WAS DRIVING HOME FROM A HUNTING TRIP, SPEEDING ALONG AT 80 MILES PER HOUR... A SHARP CURVE LOOMED AHEAD... HE APPLIED HIS BRAKES ---

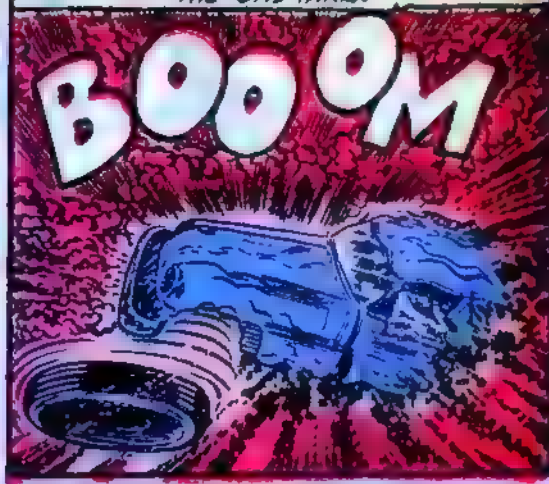
THE BRAKES! SOMETHING'S WRONG WITH THE BRAKES!



HERE WAS A SPLINTERING CRASH AS THE CAR RIPPED THROUGH THE WOODEN RAILING AND HURTTLED OVER THE EMBANKMENT, END OVER END, UNTIL IT CAME TO REST AT THE BOTTOM!



MOMENT LATER, THERE WAS A DEAFENING EXPLOSION--THE FLAMES HAD REACHED THE GAS TANK!



THE POLICE FOUND THE REMAINS OF THE WRECK---

WELL, WHOEVER WAS DRIVING THIS ONE WON'T BE TELLING ABOUT IT!

YOU CAN SAY THAT AGAIN--- TAKE A LOOK!



ALL THAT WAS LEFT OF WHAT HAD ONCE BEEN A HUMAN BEING WAS A MASS OF CRUSHED, BROKEN BONES, SPARSELY COVERED BY CHARRED BLACK FLESH! THE CORONER WAS ABOUT TO PRONOUNCE CASPER DEAD, WHEN---

HE BREATHED! GOOD GOD-- THIS MAN IS STILL ALIVE!



THERE WAS NOTHING THEY COULD DO! NO AMOUNT OF SURGERY COULD BEGIN TO RESTORE CASPER TO ANY SEMBLANCE OF A HUMAN BEING! AND SO HE LAY THERE -- BLIND DEAF, UNABLE TO SPEAK OR MOVE OR FEEL -- DEAD IN EVERY RESPECT BUT ONE-- HIS MIND STILL FUNCTIONED---



AND THROUGH THE ETERNAL VOID OF HIS DEATH-LIKE EXISTENCE, HE KEPT HEARING THE WORDS OF THE MAN WITH THE SKULL'S EYES--

IT IS OUR BUSINESS TO PREVENT DEATH!-- WE HAVE NEVER YET LOST A SINGLE CUSTOMER!!



HAVE YOU EVER BEEN LOST? HAVE YOU EVER KNOWN THE PANIC AND UNUTTERABLE TERROR OF BEING TOTALLY AND COMPLETELY LOST? YOU HAVEN'T? .. THEN COME WITH JIM AND BETSY KEEGAN -- COME WITH THEM THROUGH AND BEYOND ---

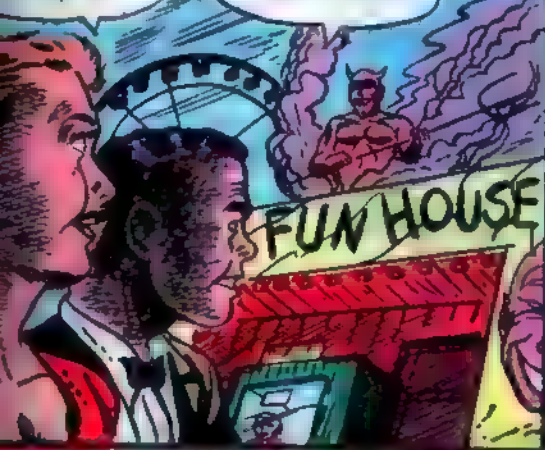
THE DOOR



BETSY AND JIM KEEGAN WERE A HAPPY, CAREFREE COUPLE AND THEY LIKED TO SPEND THEIR TIME DOING HAPPY, CAREFREE THINGS ---

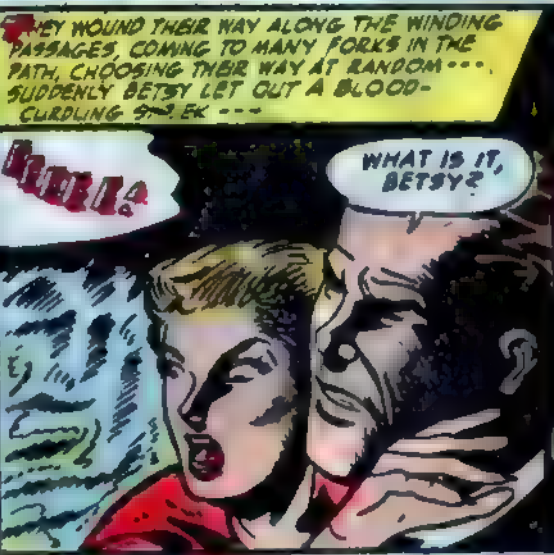
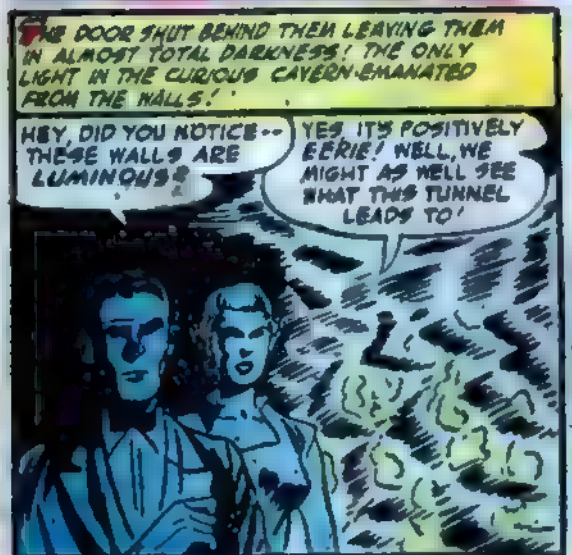
OH, THE FUN HOUSE! LET'S GO IN, JIM!

OKAY! LOOK AT THAT DEVIL -- SEEMS ALMOST REAL!



THE FUN HOUSE WAS ALL THAT WAS CLAIMED FOR IT -- CRAZY-LOOKING, COCKEYED ROOMS, MILES OF CURVED MIRRORS; FLOORS THAT COLLAPSED UNDER YOU ---





IT WAS AT THAT MOMENT THAT JIM KEEGAN KNEW A MOMENT OF PANIC, FOR HE REALIZED SUDDENLY THAT HE HADN'T THE VAGUEST NOTION AS TO HOW TO GET BACK---

WELL, THERE'S ONLY ONE THING TO DO-- WE'LL HAVE TO KEEP ON GOING AND TRUST TO LUCK! THIS TUNNEL HAS TO END SOMEWHERE!



BUT THE TUNNEL DID NOT END! IT WENT ON AND ON-- TURNING, TWISTING, BRANCHING INTO COUNTLESS TRIBUTARIES-- LEADING THEM DEEPER AND DEEPER INTO THE ENDLESS MAZE ---

JIM! I'M SCARED! WHAT DOES IT MEAN? WHY CAN'T WE FIND OUR WAY OUT?

I DON'T KNOW, BABY BUT WE'VE GOT TO KEEP GOING!



THEY DID KEEP GOING! FOR HOURS AND HOURS THEY SEARCHED, TERROR GRIPPING THEM TIGHTER AND TIGHTER IN ITS SUFFOCATING GRASP! HUNGRY, FRIGHTENED AND EXHAUSTED, THEY REALIZED THAT THEY WERE COMPLETELY AND IRRETRIEVABLY LOST ---

JIM: WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN TO US? WE'LL STARVE TO DEATH-- NO ONE WILL EVER KNOW! OH, JIM-- IT'S HORRIBLE!

EASY, HONEY-- EASY! WE'LL FIND A WAY!



SUDDENLY FROM OUT OF THE DARKNESS A FIGURE APPEARED ---

JIM, LOOK!

A MAN--- BUT LOOK AT HIM!



THE CREATURE STAGGERED FORWARD --- LAUGHED ONCE IN A STRANGE, CRACKED, HIGH-PITCHED VOICE, AND THEN FELL AT THEIR FEET, HIS WHOLE BODY WRACKED WITH GEMS AND HYSTERICAL WEeping ---



PARALYZED INTO SPEECHLESSNESS THEY WAITED UNTIL THE STRANGER HAD REGAINED HIS COMPOSURE! THEN THEY LISTENED SILENTLY AS HE TOLD THEM A STRANGE TALE ---

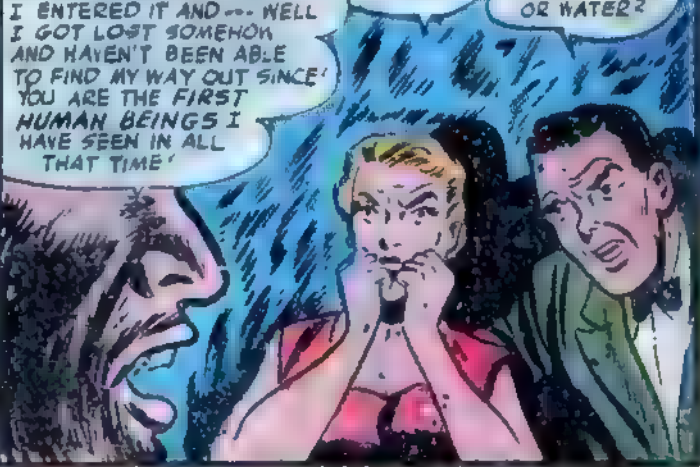
MY NAME IS CONRAD STEINER: I AM-- I WAS A CIVIL ENGINEER! FIVE YEARS AGO I WAS SENT TO THIS LOCATION TO SURVEY THE AREA FOR A POSSIBLE AMUSEMENT PARK!



I WAS LOOKING OVER THE SITE WHEN I RAN ACROSS A STRANGE DOOR CARVED IN THE SIDE OF A CLIFF! I ENTERED IT AND --- WELL I GOT LOST SOMEHOW AND HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO FIND MY WAY OUT SINCE! YOU ARE THE FIRST HUMAN BEINGS I HAVE SEEN IN ALL THAT TIME!

FIVE YEARS! GOOD HEAVENS!

HOW HAVE YOU MANAGED TO STAY ALIVE WITHOUT FOOD OR WATER?



STEINER EXPLAINED THAT WATER WAS PLENTIFUL AS THE WALLS WERE CONSTANTLY COVERED WITH MOISTURE--

AS FOR FOOD--THIS GREEN MOLD OR WHATEVER IT IS HAS KEPT ME ALIVE SOMEHOW!

BUT THE DOOR-- DO YOU THINK YOU WILL EVER FIND IT AGAIN? IS THERE A POSSIBILITY OF OUR FINDING OUR WAY BACK TO THE DOOR?



WE WILL CONTINUE TO SEARCH FOR IT! YOU SEE, HERE IN THE LABYRINTH THERE IS NOT MUCH ELSE TO DO BUT SEARCH FOR THE DOOR!



SO THEY SEARCHED, LIVING SOLELY ON THE PECULIAR TASTELESS GREEN MOLD THAT CLUNG TO THE STONE WALLS! DAYS TURNED INTO WEEKS AND WEEKS INTO MONTHS--GRADUALLY BETSY AND JIM FELT THEIR HOPES EBBING, AND AS HOPE LEFT THEM, SO, LITTLE BY LITTLE, DID THEIR SANITY--



THEY BECAME MERE SHADOWS OF THEIR FORMER SELVES AND STILL THEY WALKED AND WALKED SEARCHING INCESSANTLY, ENDLESSLY FOR THE DOOR--THE DOOR TO CIVILIZATION--TO SUNLIGHT--TO LIFE! IT BURNED IN THEIR MINDS--CONSUMED THEM--DROVE THEM



--- AND THEN ONE DAY ---

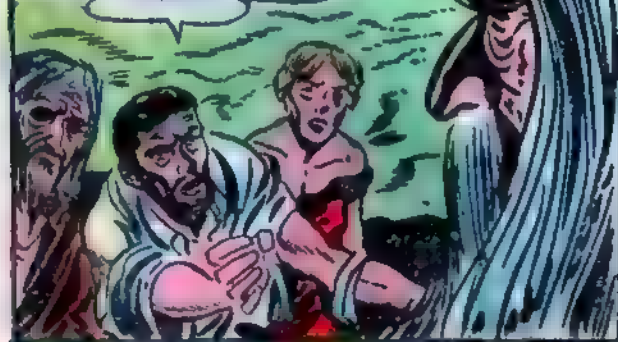
A MAN!
A MAN!

HE SEES US! HURRY-- HE'LL KNOW WHERE THE DOOR IS-- HE MUST KNOW!



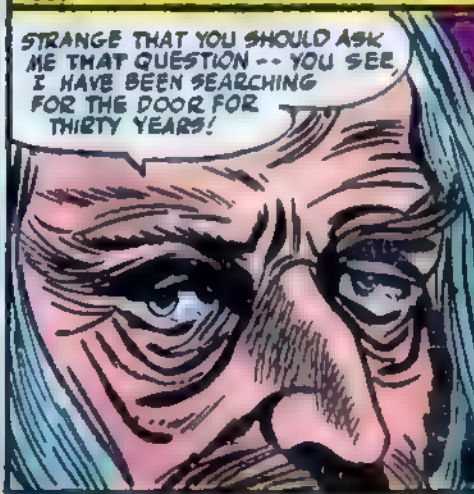
THEY STUMBLED OVER EACH OTHER IN THEIR EAGERNESS TO GREET THE NEW STRANGER! HYSTERICALLY THEY LAUGHED AND CRIED AND KISSED HIS HANDS AND HIS FEET--AND THEN THEY ASKED HIM--

THE DOOR-- WHERE IS THE DOOR THAT WILL LEAD US FROM THIS INFERNAL HOLE!



HE GAZED AT THEM--CURIOUSLY AT FIRST, AND THEN HE SMILED--A SAD, SLOW SMILE! AT LAST HE SPOKE--

STRANGE THAT YOU SHOULD ASK ME THAT QUESTION--YOU SEE, I HAVE BEEN SEARCHING FOR THE DOOR FOR THIRTY YEARS!



TIME BECAME MEANINGLESS NOW-- AND THE DOOR BECAME AN OBSESSION-- ALWAYS ELUDING THEM-- ALWAYS BEYOND THEIR GRASP--

I CAN'T -- GO -- ON --
LEAVE -- ME -- LET --
ME -- DIE -- !

NO! NO! WE CAN'T STOP
NOW -- YOU CAN'T
GIVE UP!



THEY HAD JUST ABOUT GIVEN UP -- HOPE HAD DRAINED FROM THEIR SOULS -- WHEN--

LOOK --
A
DOOR!

BUT -- IS -- IT --
THE -- RIGHT --
ONE ?



THEY STOOD BEFORE THE PORTAL -- AFRAID TO OPEN IT-- AFRAID THAT THIS WAS NOT THE ANSWER TO THEIR SEARCH-- AFRAID THAT THEY WOULD BE DOOMED FOR THE REST OF THEIR DAYS --

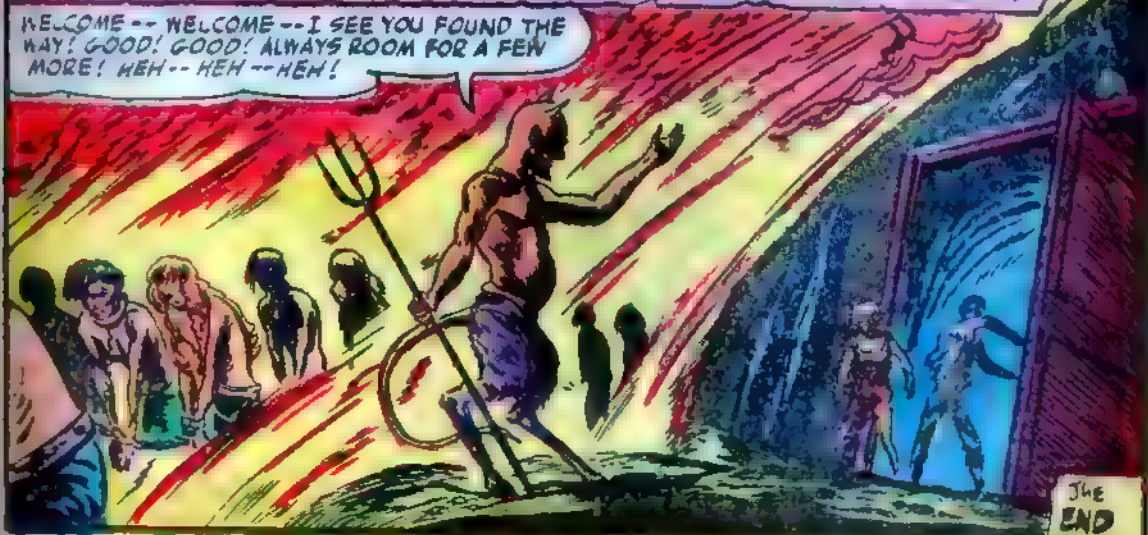
SLOWLY JIM OPENED THE DOOR -- AND THEY LOOKED THROUGH TO FREEDOM -- TO WHERE FREEDOM SHOULD BE -- THEN THE SCENE BEFORE THEM REVEALED ITSELF AND THEY RECOILED IN HORROR -- IN TERROR -- !

GO AHEAD --
OPEN IT --
OPEN IT!



-- YES, THEY HAD FINALLY FOUND THE DOOR -- THE RIGHT DOOR - THE DOOR TO HADES!

WELCOME -- WELCOME -- I SEE YOU FOUND THE WAY! GOOD! GOOD! ALWAYS ROOM FOR A FEW MORE! HEH -- HEH -- HEH!



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RAT-TRAP

You stare dumbly at the walls that seem to be closing in on you. Shafts of light infiltrate through the slanted bars and far below you the water laps against the sides of the stone that is your home... your prison.

Back and forth you pace in the small cell. First sixteen steps across, then twelve steps down. And that's what you have to live in for the next twelve years! If you don't go crazy first. Other men have, why not you?

But you won't. Because you're not going to stay here for those twelve years. You're going to escape! How? You don't know yet. But you'll figure out a way. You've got plenty of time to think about it. Time is the one thing you don't have to worry about.

The days and the weeks pass slowly, but still the plan hasn't come to you. You sit on the edge of your cot but the answer doesn't come... there seems no way out! You're doomed to die here... in a mausoleum of stone!

And as you sit there you hear something. An alien sound to you who is locked in solitary. And you look up. And see it. A rat. Sitting on the edge of the window, pecking between the bars. His nose twitched and he squeaks when he sees you. And then he is between the bars and down the side of the wall and into your cell. His beady eyes watch you but when he understands that you will do him no harm he forgets all about you.

As if you would do him any harm. A visitor. Maybe not one of your own choosing, but at least you're not alone.

You watch him as he sniffs around the small confines of your cell and then suddenly he stops. And grabs something in his teeth. Food! A small particle of meat that somehow fell off your tin plate.

And now you know why he is here. To search for food!

You reach into a pocket and pull out a bread crust that you had been saving. You toss it to him and he goes at it ravenously.

"Hungry little begar! Feast on it... it'll put a little meat on you!"

You watch him and then suddenly he is finished. He squeaks once or twice at you and then scurries up the wall. He has just one thought in mind now... **ESCAPE!** He squeezes between the bars and is gone!

You stare at the empty window and at the bars that block your freedom, and then run to them. They do not yield to your pressure, but the rat has served its purpose! It has planted the seed of an idea... an idea which can lead to **ESCAPE!** To freedom!

"If that rat can do it, so can I! All I have to do is to get it to keep coming in here every day! If it were fatter it would keep spreading the bars further and further apart!

"I'm thin... and getting thinner. If those bars were spread a little further I could squeeze through them, drop down into the water, and escape!

"Sure, now all I gotta do is keep feeding it so that it gets fatter, then it'll have to spread the bars every time it comes in here! And if it knows it'll get fed every time it comes to my cell it'll keep coming back!"

You can't wait until feeding time the next day. The guard comes down the row of cells, you can hear the keys on the ring jingling, and then suddenly he is before yours. He stops and opens the small window, looks around once, and then shoves the tin plate inside. The food!

You grab it eagerly and take a small portion for yourself. Then you set the rest of it down on the floor. And wait. Wait for the rat.

Suppose it doesn't come? Suppose it was just an accident that it came yesterday. How could it possibly know the way back to this particular cell? A chance in a thousand. And suppose it's dead! Suppose one of the guards' cats killed it. That's why they keep cats here... because there are so many water rats. Suppose...

And then it's there! Sitting on the ledge, looking into the cell. Its nose quivers and then suddenly stops. Food! It squeezes through the bars and then scurries down the side of the wall. To the food! It has no interest in you, its only objective is that plate of food in the corner of the cell.

You relax on the cot and watch the rodent eat its fill.

"Eat my friend. Eat all you want! We must put more weight on you!"

The rat eats and eats. And then it is finished. It turns for one look at you, its benefactor... but neither of you realize the important role you are to play in each other's lives!

You rush to the bars after the rat disappears and yank at them. What, so soon? Surely you don't expect results this quickly?

"Not yet, but soon. Hurry back my little friend... my patience is wearing thin!"

And the days passed and turned into weeks, and the weeks passed and turned into months... and the bars spread... and spread... and SPREAD!

You go to the bars which have been pushed apart and try to slip through. Almost. Not quite, but almost. Just a few more days and you'll be through... to Freedom!

And then you hear the scurrying up the

wall and there on the ledge sits your faithful friend... the rat. For lunch.

"Have patience... the guard is late today. Besides, you're early today."

You sit on the cot and watch the rat pace back and forth as he searches for the food that he knows should be there. The froth drips from his fangs as he quickens his search in ever-widening circles. The guard: Where is the guard!

Finally you hear him down the hall. Slowly he moves toward your cell. Slowly oh so slowly! He's in no hurry, besides, he has many hungry mouths to feed!

The small window opens and the metal plate is pushed inside. You grab for it... but it is empty! Empty except for a small red box. You bang on the window and it reopens as the guard's face appears.

"The food... the food! Where's my food!"

The guard grins. "Thought I'd do you a favor. I spoke to the doctor about you losing so much weight... I noticed it through the window here... he said it was probably because of the prison food... said you should take these vitamin pills for a couple of days... pep up your appetite!"

The window closes and he is gone. And you're alone. Not quite though... there's still the rat.

He circles crazily now... bloodshot eyes swinging madly in their sockets... looking... looking... looking for food.

You can't stop a hungry crazed rat... and you spoiled him. Better find some food for him before... before... before...

The rat suddenly stops his search. He's in front of you now. And the search is ended...

Never mind looking... he's found what he was after. The only piece of food left in the RAT-TRAP! You.

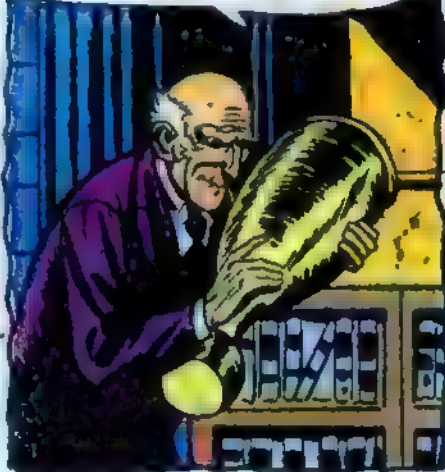
HEH -- HEH -- READY FOR TODAY'S LESSON, FRIENDS? THIS IS THE GHOUL TEACHER --
YOUR INSTRUCTOR IN GORE -- NOW TO THE SUBJECT AT HAND -- A TALE TOO
NOT TO HANDLE -- I CALL IT --

CREMATION



SINCE YOU HAVE JUST WITNESSED MY ENDING, LET'S BEGIN AT THE BEGINNING! I WAS HAPPY IN THOSE DAYS --- SEATED AT THE PLACE OF HONOR IN THE HOME OF PROF JORGENSEN FOR EVEN THOUGH I WAS EMPTY, I KNEW THAT SOMEDAY THE DUST OF THE GOOD SCIENTIST WOULD SETTLE WITHIN MY PORCELAIN FRAME!

EMPTY NOW - BUT NOT FOREVER! ONE OF THESE DAYS --- POOF -- AND WE SHALL BE TOGETHER THROUGH ETERNITY!



THIS IS DUROC, THE PROFESSOR'S FAITHFUL SERVANT! THE GOOD SCIENTIST HAD FOUND HIM MORE DEAD THAN ALIVE, AND NURSED HIM BACK TO HEALTH! DUROC WOULD GLADLY GIVE WHAT WAS LEFT OF THAT LIFE AT JORGENSEN'S SAY SO - HIS WISH WAS THE DWARF'S COMMAND!

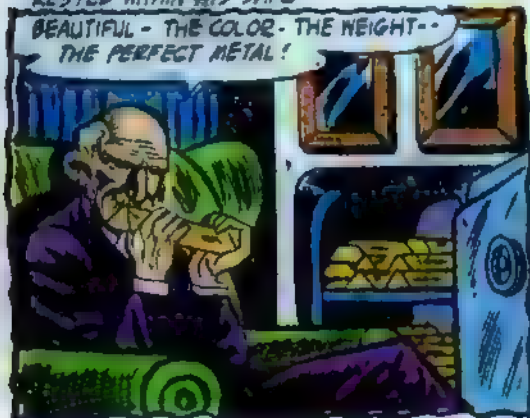
BE CAREFUL, DUROC - I WOULDN'T WANT YOU TO BREAK THAT URM!

YES, MASTER - AND I KNOW THE REASON!



PROFESSOR JORGENSEN HAD ONE IDIOSYNCRASY - HIS LOVE FOR GOLD - EVERY BIT OF HIS HEALTH HAD BEEN MELTED DOWN AND CONVERTED INTO GLEAMING BARS OF THE PRECIOUS METAL - AND A SMALL FORTUNE RESTED WITHIN HIS SAFE -

BEAUTIFUL - THE COLOR - THE WEIGHT -- THE PERFECT METAL!



YES, IT WAS A HAPPY HOUSEHOLD - AND I WAS CONTENT TO BIDE MY TIME UNTIL I WOULD FOREVER HOLD MY MASTER WITHIN MY BREAST -- BUT THEN ONE DAY A DARK AND FOREBODING CLOUD APPEARED WITHIN OUR HOME!

YOUR NEPHEW, MASTER! HE HAS RETURNED!

I HAVE BEEN EXPECTING HIM -- THE VULTURES ALWAYS RETURN WHEN THEY SMELL THE NEARNESS OF DEATH!



I DIDN'T SEE WHAT WENT ON -- BUT I COULD VISUALIZE -- FOR IT COULDN'T HAVE BEEN ANY DIFFERENT, THAN BEFORE --

WELL, SILAS, I SEE YOU'VE RETURNED! I THOUGHT I ORDERED YOU OUT OF MY HOUSE!

BUT SURELY YOU WANT YOUR ONLY LIVING RELATIVE BY YOUR SIDE DURING YOUR LAST DAYS -- YOU'RE NOT GETTING ANY YOUNGER, UNCLE!



AT THE TIME I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT THE GOOD SCIENTIST HAD ON HIS MIND -- I ONLY KNEW THAT HE DIDN'T ORDER HIS NEPHEW OUT OF THE HOUSE AS HE USUALLY DID --

YES, SILAS, I BELIEVE YOU'RE RIGHT - IT IS A COMFORT TO HAVE ONE'S FLESH AND BLOOD WITH THEM AS THE DAYS GROW SHORTER - YOU CAN STAY!

THERE! - I KNEW YOU'D SEE THINGS MY WAY!



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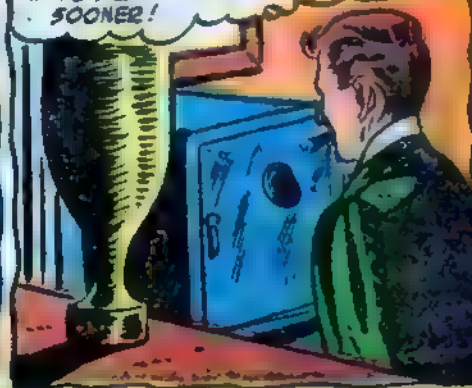
HAD MY MASTER GONE CRAZY -- WHAT WAS GOING ON ANYWAY? AND AS THE TIME PASSED THE SITUATION BECAME EVEN MORE PERPLEXING! FOR THE PROFESSOR KNOWING THAT SILAS' ONLY REASON FOR STAYING WAS THE GOLD, INSISTED ON SHOWING THEM TO HIS GREEDY NEPHEW! THE DESIRE WAS WRITTEN OVER HIS FACE -- HOW TO GET HIS HANDS ON THAT WEALTH!

THE TIME PASSED AND THE GAME OF CAT AND MOUSE CONTINUED - NOW JORGENS WOULD WAIT UNTIL HE HEARD SILAS COME INTO THE ROOM AND THEN WOULD OPEN THE SAFE TO SHOW HIM THE WEALTH - SLOWLY HE WAS DRIVING HIM TO -- TO --



-- MURDER! THE GREED COULD NO LONGER BE CONTAINED WITHIN THE EVIL MIND --

GOT TO GET THAT GOLD - HOW? HOW? HELP HIM TO HIS DEATH! SURE, HE'S AN OLD MAN, NOBODY WOULD SUSPECT IF HE DIED A LITTLE SOONER!



AND SO THE PLAN WAS HATCHED - A PLAN I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND - COULDN'T UNDERSTAND -- BUT COULD ONLY WATCH IN ITS OPERATION!

HE NEVER MISSES THIS CUP OF CHOCOLATE BEFORE RETIRING - NOW FOR THE FIRST DOSE AND A LITTLE MORE EACH NIGHT - UNTIL ONE DAY - HEH - HEH!



IF I COULD ONLY HARM HIM -- SAY SOMETHING -- BUT IT SEEMED AS IF HE KNEW - WANTED IT TO HAPPEN --

AH, YES, THE CUP OF CHOCOLATE THAT MY GOOD NEPHEW PREPARED - I MUSTN'T DISAPPOINT HIM!



THE TIME PASSED AND THE DRUG TOOK EFFECT - ONE COULD HARDLY RECOGNIZE MY MASTER -- HE HAD WASTED AWAY TO SUCH AN EXTREME - BUT RATHER THAN REVOLT AGAINST THE SITUATION HE SEEMED TO TAKE DELIGHT IN IT -- AS IF IT WERE HIS PLOT THAT WAS SUCCEEDING RATHER THAN HIS NEPHEW'S --



I COULD ONLY SURMISE WHAT HAPPENED--FOR I RECALL THE NIGHT THEY REMOVED THE GOLD FROM THE SAFE AND WENT DOWN TO THE LABORATORY--

TURN UP THE HEAT, DUROC--
AND EVERY BAR MUST GO--

YES, MASTER--



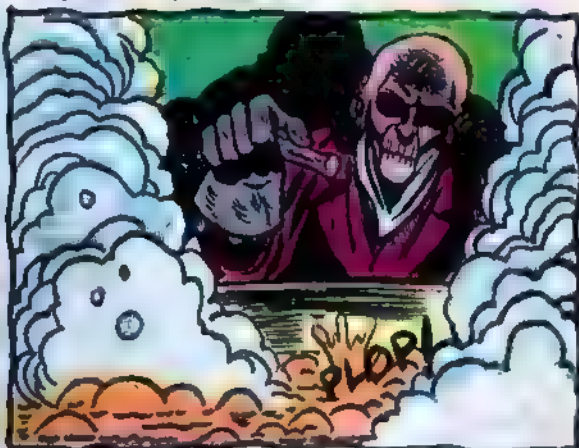
WITH THE PREPARATIONS COMPLETED, THE NLL TO LIVE VANISHED--AND A FEW DAYS LATER THE GOOD PROFESSOR WAS DEAD! DUROC DRIED A USELESS TEAR AND THEN SLOWLY DRAGGED THE BODY TO THE LABORATORY BELOW--



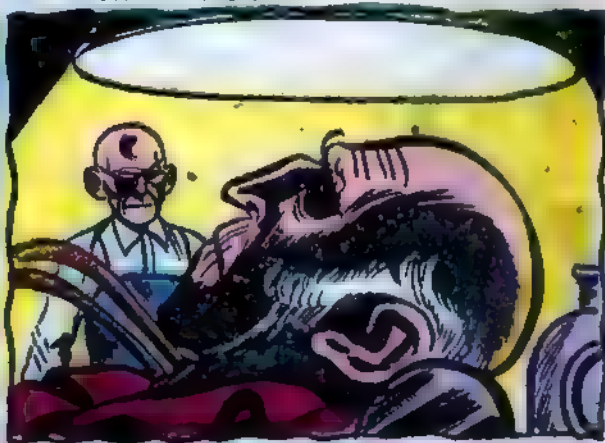
THE SCARLET FLUID STAINED THE SINK AS IT PULSED OUT OF THE TUBE--AND A MAN'S BLOOD DISAPPEARED DOWN A DRAIN-- BUT DUROC WASN'T THROUGH-- THERE WAS STILL WORK TO BE DONE--



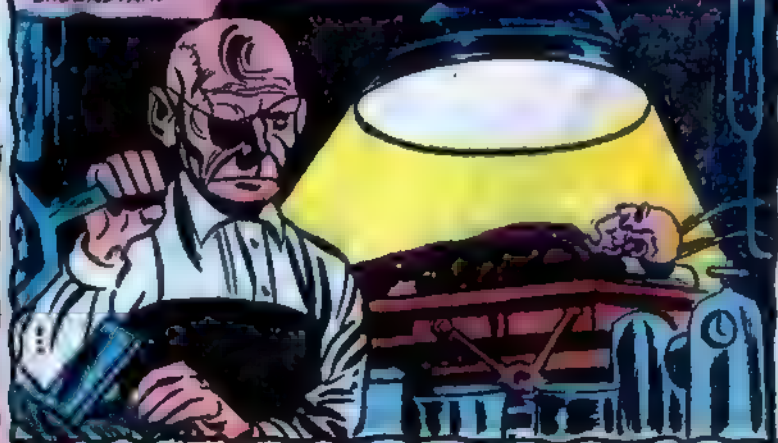
THEN HE ADDED THE FINISHING TOUCH--THE MOLTEN GOLD BUBBLED AND SEETHED AS HE DROPPED THE SMALL VIAL INTO THE SOLUTION--AND THE GRIN ON HIS FACE TOLD OF MANY THINGS--OF SUCCESS--OF DEATH--OF MURDER!



GENTLY HE LIFTED THE BODY ONTO A TABLE-- GENTLY HE SCRAPED AT THE DEAD MAN'S NECK AND THEN FITTED A SYRINGE INTO THE CAVITY-- HE PULLED A SWITCH AND A LOW HUM FILTERED THROUGH THE ROOM--

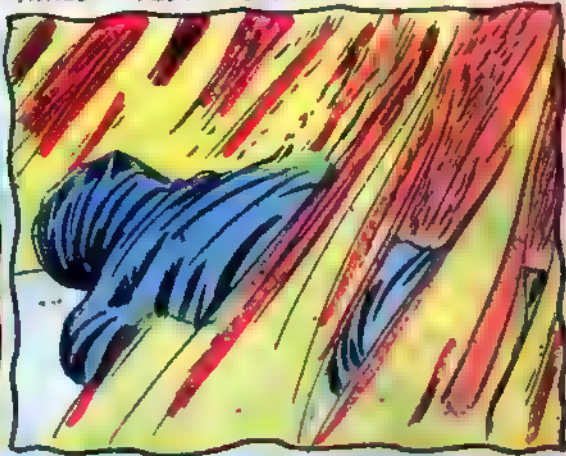
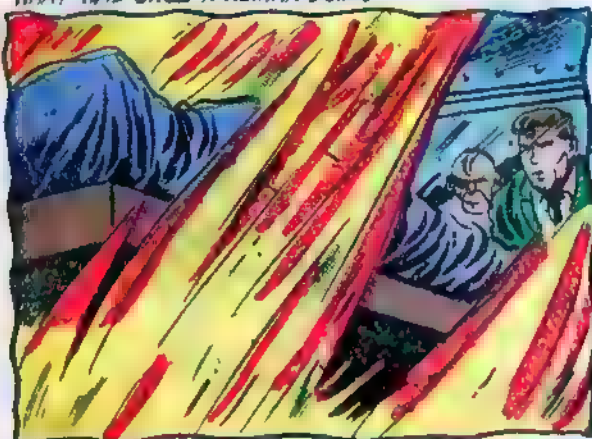


THEN HE REVERSED THE PROCESS--AND FROM SOMEWHERE IN THE DARKNESS A FLUID WAS PUMPED BACK INTO HIS MASTER'S VEINS-- HE WAS EMBALMING THE PROFESSOR-- BUT WHY? WHY? HE KNEW THAT SOON HE WOULD BE CREMATED-- I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND--



SILAS AGREED TO THE CREMATION-- WASN'T THAT HIS UNCLE'S LAST WISH? AND IT WAS WITH FASCINATION THAT THE NEPHEW AND THE DEVOTED DWARF WATCHED THE FLAMES SWEEP OVER THE BODY OF WHAT WAS ONCE A HUMAN BEING --

THE TONGUES OF FLAMES LICKED AT THE CARCASS-- AND THE STENCH OF BURNING FLESH PERMEATED THE ROOM-- A STENCH THAT STUNG THE NOSTRILS AND HAUSED THE MOURNERS -- ASHES TO ASHES -- DUST TO DUST --



THEY WAITED FOR THE HEAT AND FLAMES TO DIMINISH-- AND THEN DUROC-- EVER FAITHFUL DUROC SWEEP THE ASHES INTO A SMALL RECEPTACLE-- AND I WAITED EAGERLY-- FOR I KNEW THAT I SOON WOULD RECEIVE THEM--

AND THEN I TOOK HIM TO MY BREAST-- NARMED HIM -- CUDDLED HIM-- BUT APPARENTLY THIS WASN'T TO BE THE END --

HERE, MR SILAS-- YOU KNOW WHAT YOU ARE TO DO NOW!

YES-- IT WAS MY UNCLE'S LAST REQUEST--



THE GLOATING FACE OF SILAS STARED DOWN AS HE POURED THE ASHES THROUGH HIS FINGERS-- AND IT WAS THEN THAT I FELT THE BURNING TINGLING SENSATION-- IT WAS THEN THAT I KNEW -- AND I LAUGHED TO MYSELF--

PERHAPS HE KNEW THEN TOO, PERHAPS HE HAD FELT THE SAME TINGLING, THE SAME BURNING SENSATION AS I HAD-- BUT HE PUSHED IT OUT OF HIS MIND AS HE REMEMBERED THE UNTOLED WEALTH THAT LAY WAITING FOR HIM --

NOW IT'S MINE, DEAR UNCLE -- YOUR GOLD IS MINE!

HEH-HEH -- ALL THESE YEARS -- NOW I'VE GOT IT-- I'M RICH! RICH! RICH!



THE WIND HOWLED LIKE A BANSHIEE - AS HE EMPTIED THE ASHES INTO THE DARKNESS BELOW - HE HAD GOTTEN RID OF THE EVIDENCE - HE HAD DESTROYED THE ONLY LINK LEFT WITH THE CRIME -- HE HAD, WELL, THAT WAS FOR HIM TO DISCOVER --



QUICKLY HE HURRIED TO THE SAFE - TO THE WEALTH - TO THE GOLD - BUT FOUND ONLY A LETTER!

THE GOLD - IT'S GONE - THE LETTER -- HE MUST'VE HIDDEN IT SOMEWHERE - SURE, THAT'S IT!

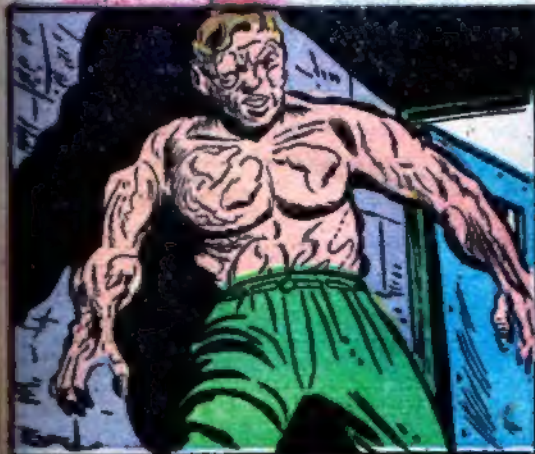


NOW I UNDERSTOOD - JUST AS SILAS DID -- FOR THE EMBALMING FLUID HAD BEEN THE MOLTEN GOLD - AND HE HAD THROWN IT AWAY -- A FORTUNE WAS GONE WITH THE WIND -- BUT READ ON -- READ ON --

NO! -- NO!



FOR THE BUBBLING -- SEETHING -- SOLUTION HAD BEEN CAUSED BY RADIO-ACTIVE MATERIAL THAT HE HAD DROPPED INTO THE GOLD - RADIO-ACTIVITY THAT HAD CAUGHT SILAS IN ITS HORRIBLE BURNING, SEARING, DEATH DEALING, EMBRACE!



HE READ ON - AND THEN IN HIS ANGER, HE DESTROYED ME - FOR HE HAD ALSO DESTROYED HIMSELF - HIS UNCLE HAD SEEN TO THAT - AND I GRINNED WHEN I SAW WHAT WAS LEFT OF WHAT WAS ONCE A HUMAN BEING --



WELL, POOR SILAS REALLY MADE HIS UNCLE BURN, DIDN'T HE? AND WHERE THERE'S SMOKE, THERE'S A FIRE! TOO BAD THE FUEL, I MEAN THE FOOL, TURNED OUT TO BE SILAS! BUT THEN, THERE'S NO FUEL LIKE AN OLD FUEL! HEH -- HEH!





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